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Pedestrian Safety Detail

The Beaverton Police Department will be conducting a Pedestrian Safety Detail on Monday August 10, 2015 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and it will be conducted at the intersection of SW Lombard Ave and SW 12th St. This location is not a marked crosswalk but drivers are still expected to respond as if it was marked.

Where no marked crosswalk exists, a crosswalk is that portion of the roadway described in the following: Where sidewalks, shoulders or a combination thereof exists, a crosswalk is the portion of a roadway at an intersection, not more than 20 feet in width as measured from the prolongation of the lateral line of the roadway toward the prolongation of the adjacent property line, that is included within The connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks, shoulders or a combination thereof on opposite sides of the street or highway measured from the curbs or, in the absence of curbs, from the edges of the traveled roadway or the prolongation of the lateral lines of a sidewalk, shoulder or both, to the sidewalk or shoulder on the opposite side of the street, if the prolongation would meet such sidewalk or shoulder.

This detail will focus on vehicles failing to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians in an unmarked crosswalk. Motorists are reminded it's your lane plus six feet. Stop for the pedestrian, who must clear the lane you're turning into and at least 6 feet of the next lane, before you proceed. Please see the link for full text of the law at <http://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/811.028> . This detail will be strictly for education and no citations will be issued for failing to yield to a pedestrian.

The primary focus of this detail is to raise pedestrian safety awareness. Through the use of a decoy pedestrian, the Beaverton Police Department hopes to raise the awareness of drivers and pedestrians through education and enforcement of pedestrian right of way laws. Pedestrians are also reminded to wear bright colors and pay attention to the traffic flow when preparing to cross the road. Pedestrians are also required to obey any traffic control device that directs the pedestrian's movement.

In our continued effort to provide options other than the standard citation, drivers receiving citations are given the option of taking a crosswalk diversion program hosted by the Beaverton Police Department.

Please see the YouTube link below to watch an informational video on crosswalk safety.

<https://youtu.be/KzexhIX73W8>

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